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RESPONSE TO THE FINAL OFFICE ACTION DATED SEPTEMBER 10, 2007

Sir:

This paper is filed together with a Request for Continued Examination (RCE) and is in response to the Final Office Action dated September 10, 2007, on which the shortened statutory period for response expired on December 10, 2007, and the Advisory Action mailed on February 4, 2008. A Petition for Extension For Time (3 months) is being filed together with this Response and accompanying RCE transmittal.

Applicant respectfully requests the Examiner to reconsider the rejection of the claims and to further examine the application in view of the following amendments and remarks.

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